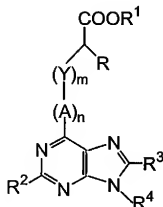


**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Currently Amended) A (purin-6-yl)amino acid represented by formula (1):



wherein R<sup>1</sup> is hydrogen, alkyl, optionally substituted aryl, optionally substituted heteroaryl or aralkyl; R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> are hydrogen, halogen, optionally substituted alkyl, optionally substituted aryl, optionally substituted heteroaryl, optionally substituted amino or optionally substituted hydroxy; and R is -NH<sub>2</sub>, -NHR' or -NR'R'', said R' and R'' are protecting group for amino group, or R' and R'' form ~~benzophenoneimine~~ together with N ~~form~~ diphenylmethylamino, Y is alkylene having 2 to 5 carbon atoms, alkenylene or alkynylene; A is optionally substituted phenylene; m and n are 0 or 1; and R<sup>4</sup> is hydrogen or organic group, or its salt.

2. (Currently Amended) The (purin-6-yl)amino acid according to claim 1, which is represented by formula (2):